

# Supporting Information

for

## **One-step chemical vapor deposition synthesis and supercapacitor performance of nitrogen-doped porous carbon–carbon nanotube hybrids**

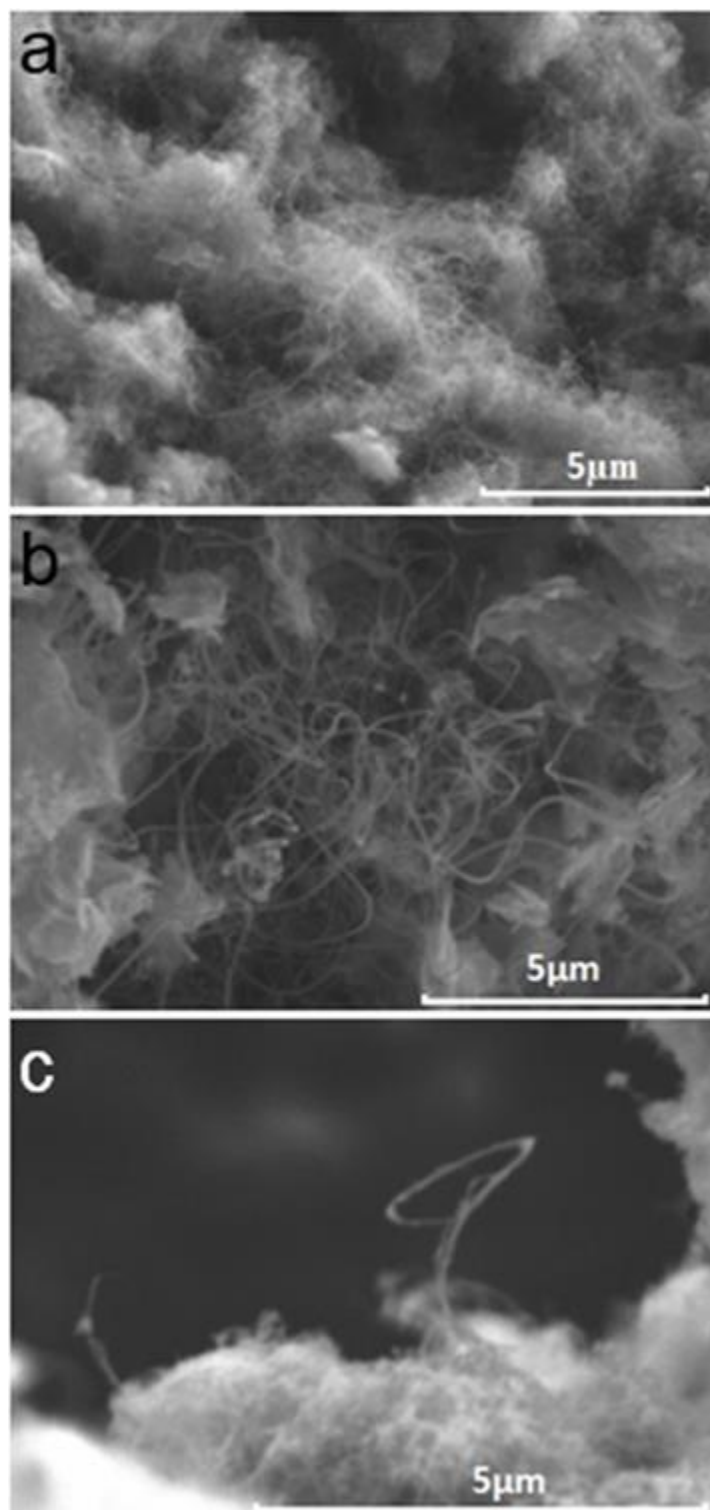
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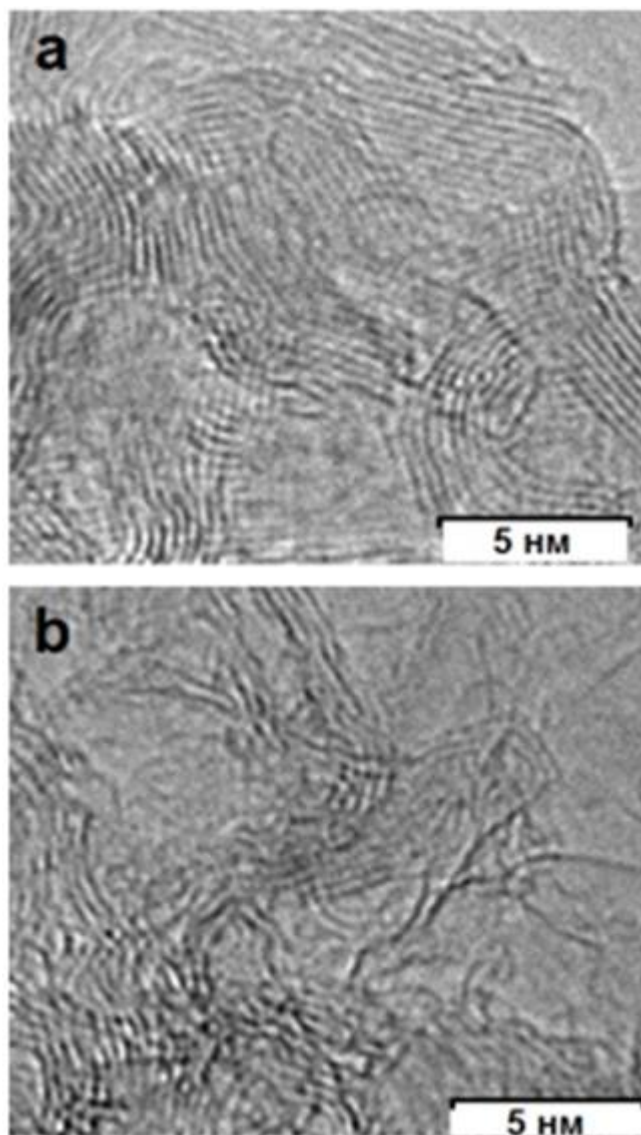
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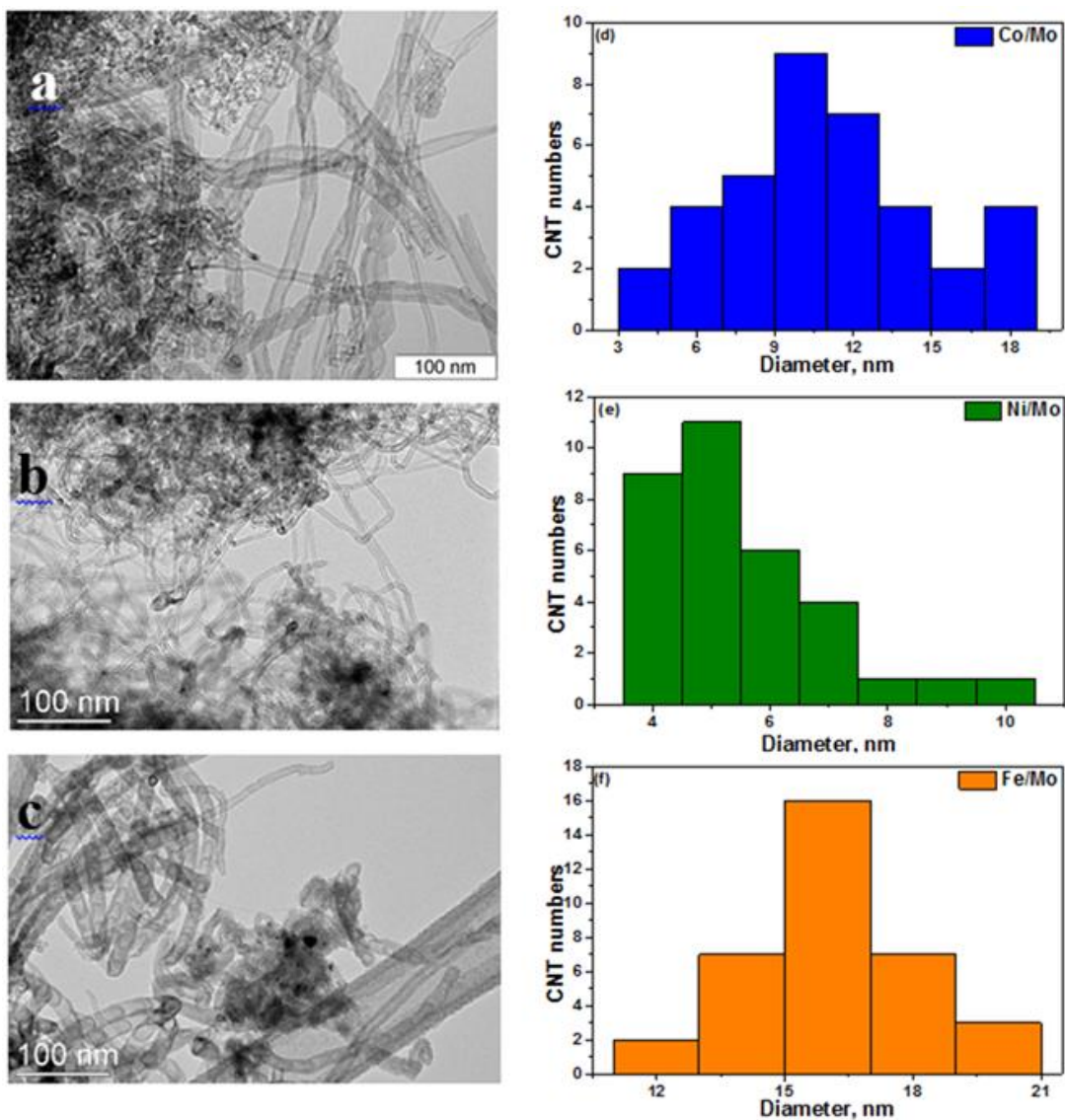
## Additional Experimental Information



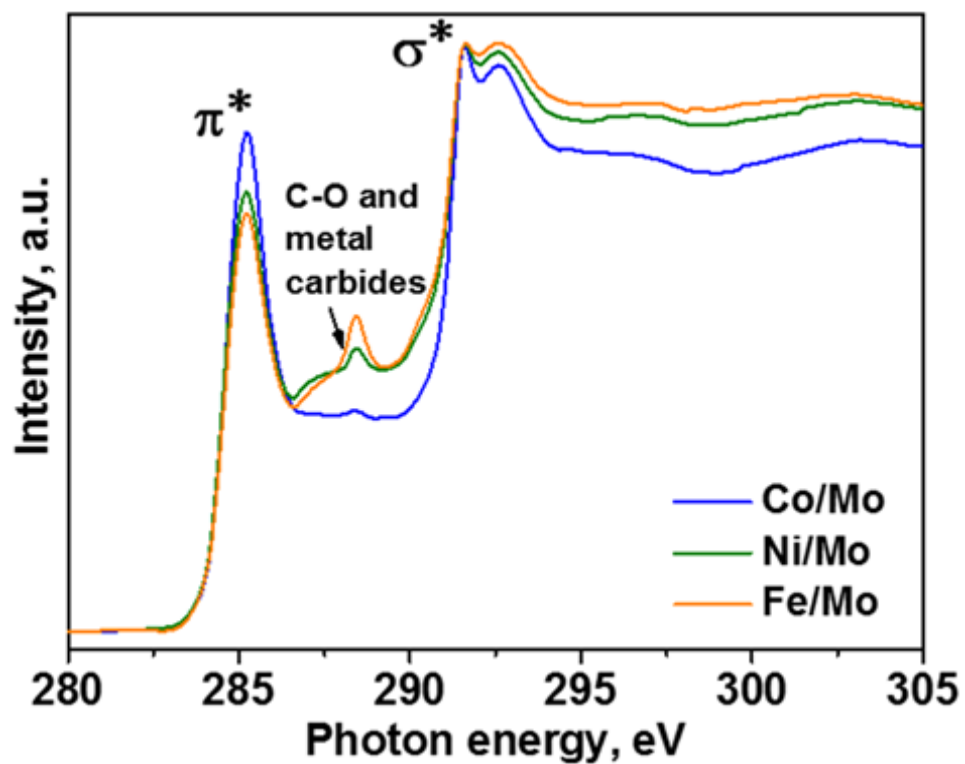
**Figure S1:** SEM images of  $CN_x$  samples synthesized using (a) Co/Mo, (b) Ni/Mo and (c) Fe/Mo catalysts. The samples were purified from the MgO support and the images demonstrate the co-existence of CNTs and non-tubular carbon.



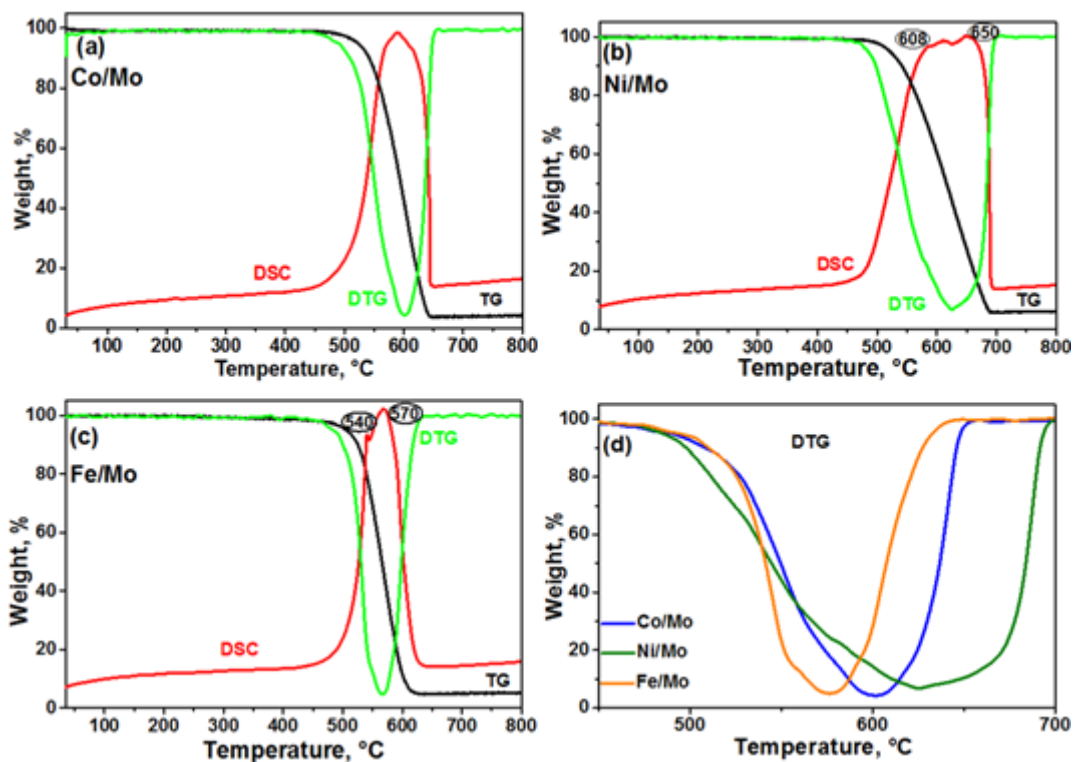
**Figure S2:** High resolution TEM images of porous carbon interlinking with CNTs synthesized using (a) Ni/Mo, (b) Fe/Mo catalysts.



**Figure S3:** TEM images of  $CN_x$  samples synthesized using (a) Co/Mo, (b) Ni/Mo and (c) Fe/Mo catalysts, which have been used for evaluation of the outer diameter distribution of CNTs. Histograms of diameter distribution of CNTs are presented in (d) Co/Mo, (e) Ni/Mo and (f) Fe/Mo.



**Figure S4.** NEXAFS CK-edge spectra of  $\text{CN}_x$  samples synthesized using Co/Mo, Ni/Mo and Fe/Mo catalysts.



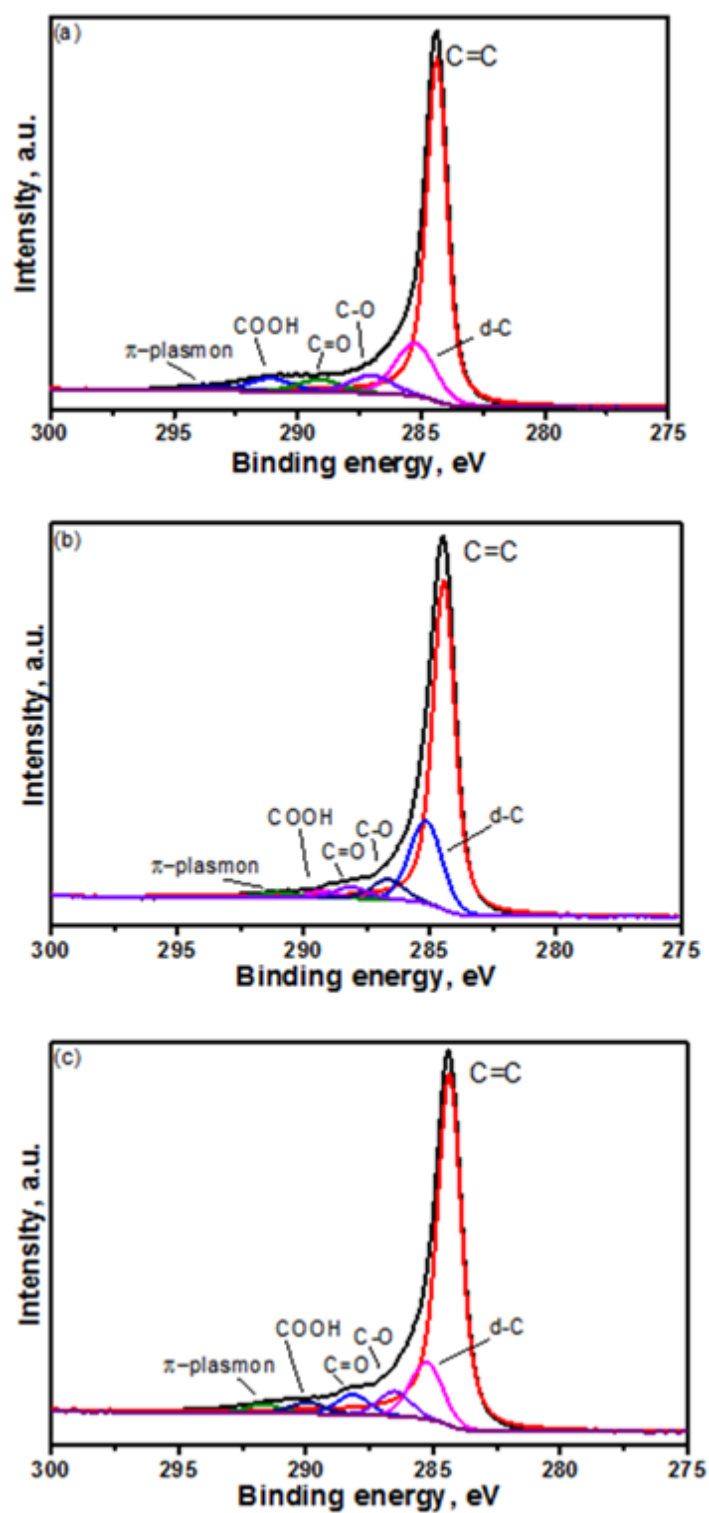
**Figure S5:** TG, DTG and DSC curves of thermal oxidation of  $CN_x$  materials synthesized using (a) Co/Mo, (b) Ni/Mo, (c) Fe/Mo catalysts. (d) Comparison of DTG curves of  $CN_x$  materials.

**Table S1.** Ratios of integral intensities of components in the DTG curves of CN<sub>x</sub> materials synthesized using different catalysts and the peak temperature of each component.

| Catalyst | Component 1  | Component 2   | Component 3   |
|----------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| Co/Mo    | 0.5 (566 °C) | 0.3 (602 °C)  | 0.2 (627 °C)  |
| Ni/Mo    | 0.6 (580 °C) | 0.2 (640 °C)  | 0.2 (670 °C)  |
| Fe/Mo    | 0.3 (539 °C) | 0.45 (566 °C) | 0.25 (591 °C) |

**Table S2.** Total nitrogen concentration (at.%) and percentages of various nitrogen forms in CN<sub>x</sub> materials synthesized using different catalysts. The values were obtained from the XPS data.

| Catalyst | N total, at.% | N pyridinic | N pyrrolic | N graphitic | N oxidized | N <sub>2</sub> |
|----------|---------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|----------------|
| Ni/Mo    | 0.9           | 24.4%       | 22.4%      | 35.6%       | 9.2%       | 8.3%           |
| Co/Mo    | 1.5           | 19.2%       | 25.4%      | 39.5%       | 6.5%       | 9.4%           |
| Fe/Mo    | 2.3           | 21.4%       | 13.5%      | 45.0%       | 6.7%       | 13.4%          |



**Figure S6:** XPS C1s spectra of CN<sub>x</sub> materials synthesized using (a) Co/Mo, (b) Ni/Mo and (c) Fe/Mo catalysts.